

# MANN BILL IN THE AIR

House Rejects Report of the Conference.

## THEY MAY RECONSIDER

Motion On This Line Is Made and Passed By—Boaz Confident of Final Passage—Big Fight in the House Yesterday.

The advocates of the Mann liquor amendment to the general tax bill are passing toward victory over thorny paths and by easy stages, and it is far from certain that they will ever reach that coveted station.

The violent assaults upon the report of the Conference Committee were renewed, and after another long and spirited debate, the motion of Chairman Boaz to adopt the report failed by a vote of 41 yeas to 34 noes.

The Chair ruled that the adoption of the report required only forty affirmative votes, but by a vote of 50 to 20 the ruling was reversed by the House, the point of order having been made that it required 61.

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The House was called to order at 10 o'clock by Speaker Ryan, and prayer was offered by Rev. P. B. Price, of the Presbyterian Church.

The following bills were offered and referred:

By Mr. Jennings: To amend the charter of the city of Lynchburg.

By Mr. Blackburn Smith: To provide for the payment of one judge holding court for another.

By Mr. Purdy: To allow the town of Emporia to borrow money for street purposes.

By Mr. Stafford: To amend the law in relation to the duties of the Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings.

Among the bills reported from committee was that offered by Mr. Rice to create a State highway commission for the improvement of the public roads, and to create a sentiment of good roads in the State.

At 10:30 o'clock the clerk called the unfinished business, which was the further consideration of the conference report on the general revenue bill, and Mr. Duke, of Albemarle, took the floor to speak against the report.

He devoted some time to the alleged inequalities in the bill, and then he took up the liquor section and urged strongly that the report should be again referred to conference.

Mr. Duke denounced the Mann bill amendment, and declared that it was a move for prohibition under the guise of local option. He did not think it fair to thrust this measure upon the people when they had not said they wanted it, and when it was manifest that they did not.

A MEMBER DISSENTS

Mr. Stearnes, of the Finance Committee, spoke briefly against the Mann bill amendment. He did not believe that the distilleries should be fostered at the expense of the bar-rooms. He opposed the club license section, and that increasing the license on city and town bar-keepers. Mr. Stearnes opposed the reduction of the insurance tax, and the plan for taxing franchises, and in conclusion declared that he would vote against the conference report.

He was followed by Mr. Settle, who spoke against the report and especially against the Mann bill amendment. He contended that the question was a moral one and should not be mixed up with the finances of the State. He charged that the advocates of the bill were being looked after, and those of the city neglected. He urged the committee for allowing the distilleries to run and for closing up the bar-rooms. When the people had no money, he declared, they would be forced to get rid of liquor in the rural districts, and there was but little, if any, real demand for a sweeping prohibition measure.

Mr. Kelley, of Richmond city, spoke earnestly against the report of the committee and contended strongly that it should go back to conference.

He said there had been seventy changes in conference, and that the Senate Committee had yielded only three or four points, and he ridiculed the House Committee for having drawn an imperfect bill, and declared that he had lost much of his confidence in the ability of these gentlemen. This brought Messrs. Jennings, Bowman and other members of the committee to their feet to defend the action of the conferees, and they engaged in some good-natured cross-firing with Mr. Kelley.

Mr. Kelley then went after the Mann bill, and declared that in this amendment lay his chief opposition to the revenue measure. He charged that it was a prohibition "rider" and had no place in a tax measure. The law, as it stood at the present, furnished the means for the remedy they needed to get rid of liquor in the rural districts, and there was but little, if any, real demand for a sweeping prohibition measure.

"You are attempting here," declared the speaker, "to do indirectly what you have not the courage to come out and do directly, and that is why I shall vote against the report." Mr. Kelley paid some attention to the joking trade, which he declared would be injured by the passage of the bill, and he closed with a strong appeal for the return of the measure to another conference committee.

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against the bill, and Mr. Boaz made a strong defense of the action of the conferees. He was asked a great many questions, but could not be thrown from his perch, having proceeded to reply to the points made by his opponents one by one. Mr. Boaz defended the Mann bill, and urged that the Legislature should not turn a deaf ear to the appeals that had come here through petitions from all over the State. He defended the action of the conferees on the high license amendment, and on all the recommendations made, and he earnestly pleaded with the House to sustain the action of the conferees. He denied that the body had thrown distilleries wide open as had been charged, but had required those operating them to obtain State licenses to do business in like manner as is now required of bar-keepers.

PEITITIONS IN ITS FAVOR

There had been no petitions here against the Mann bill, but the Legislature had been flooded with appeals in its favor. The bill as it came from the conference was a good one and should be adopted by the House. Mr. Boaz said that if the Jamestown people desired their recommendations, they had better vote for the bill in order to raise the money.

Mr. Boaz replied to what Mr. Settle had said about saving the country people and letting the city people go to the dogs. This chairman said that even God could not save those who did not desire to be saved, but the House had better try and save some of the country people. Mr. Newhouse took another view of this and said he believed God would save a man against the will of the latter. Mr. Boaz replied amid great laughter that this was the only way in which the gentleman from Culpeper could ever be saved.

REPROVERB

Mr. Murrell called the pending question, and it occurred upon the motion to adopt the Conference Committee report. The roll-call upon this motion resulted as follows:

AYES—Messrs. Armstrong, C. G. Baker, W. W. Baker, Barham, George C. Bland, Charles T. Bland, Boaz, Bowman, Branch, Cabell, Cardwell, Christian, Davis, Edmondson, Featherston, Gent, George, Gravelly, Graves, Green, Heersma, Hoffman, Hunt, Jennings, E. C. Jordan, Lawson, Lee, Yell, Mott, Nottingham, Oran, Overly, Purdy, Read, Reynolds, Rice, Robison, Blackburn Smith, J. M. Smith, Stafford, Taylor, Turpin, West and Whitehead—41.

NOES—Messrs. Allen, Angell, Blasco, Cannaday, Caton, Coleman, Cumming, Dudley, Duke, Folkes, Fulton, Gardner, Garrett, Goodwin, Harman, Walter Jordan, Kelley, Lasker, Little, Jones, May, Moore, Newhouse, Owens, Qulsenberry, Sebrell, Settle, Stearnes, Toney, Waddy, Walker, Wallace, Ware and Woodward—34.

PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION

The announcement of the vote created great enthusiasm, and it was some time before the chair could restore order.

Mr. Allen raised the point that the adoption of the report required fifty-one affirmative votes, and he spoke at some length in support of his contention.

Mr. Caton spoke on the same line, and Mr. Boaz contended that only forty votes were required to adopt a conference report.

The chair ruled in support of Mr. Boaz's contention, and Mr. Allen promptly appealed from the decision of the chair.

In support of this motion Mr. Kelley spoke at some length, and he was followed by Mr. Heersma, who supported the ruling of the chair.

Mr. Cardwell spoke for Mr. Allen's motion and he declared that the House was in a serious situation, and should take the safe side and overrule the chair.

CHAIR OVERULED

Mr. Allen spoke again, and the chair emphasized his position, and Mr. C. C. Baker called the pending question. On the question of sustaining the ruling of the chair, there were yeas, 50; noes, 20, and the motion was overruled. Mr. Allen moved to reconsider the vote by which the conference report was rejected, and on motion of Mr. Boaz this motion was passed by.

Mr. Boaz declared his confidence in the ultimate securing of fifty-one votes for the report.

The House, at 1:10 P. M., adjourned until 10 o'clock to-day, on motion of Mr. Whitehead, of Norfolk.

THE SENATE

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Mr. Harvey proposed to amend the Senate bill to allow county treasurers further time to collect taxes so as to add the proviso "that such levy or distress shall be made only on property owned at the time of such levy or distress by the person against whom such tax or distress was assessed." The amendment was adopted, and the bill sent to its engrossment.

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# ANOTHER CITY EDITOR

Bright's Disease and Diabetes Are Positively Curable.

Editor Maguire, editor and proprietor of the California Journal, the German paper of 422 Montgomery St., San Francisco, interviewed:

Q.—Will you help us convince the people that Bright's Disease and Diabetes are positively curable by referring to your recovery?

A.—I've told it to a great many myself, and some of them profited by it and were cured.

Q.—How long was it?

A.—About six years ago. I was so ill with Bright's Disease that the doctors, being unable to help me, advised me as a last resort that I try some of the springs. Before going I heard of the Pulton Compound and took it and didn't have to go. I began to get better, and kept on with it till I was finally as well as ever.

Q.—Any symptoms of a return of it?

A.—None, although I don't permit a year to pass without taking a course.

Q.—You say you told others?

A.—I told Charles F. Wacher of 181 Sixth St., about it on learning he had diabetes. He took it and is entirely well. I told a well-to-do German lady afflicted with Bright's Disease. She had been to Europe for treatment without result. She, too, took it and got well. I've told a great many. I know these compounds to be certain cures in Bright's Disease and Diabetes.

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versely the House bill prohibiting the introduction of liquor into local option districts.

The Senate then devoted an hour and a half to the calendar, passing a number of bills, after which at 1:45 adjournment was had until noon to-day.

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED.

These bills were introduced and referred:

By Mr. Ople: To regulate the height of overhead railroad bridges. The bill requires them to be at least seven feet above the highest freight cars.

By Mr. Watkins: To put into operation the provisions of the constitution relating to the composition and organization of the State Board of Education, the election and appointment of its members; their qualifications; powers and duties of the board, expenses etc.

This House bill was passed: To amend the act relating to the garnishment of salaries of State officers.

These Senate bills were passed, and now go to the House for action:

To establish Norton School District, in Wise county.

To authorize supervisors of any county to adjust and secure judgments against any treasurers.

Legalizing certain election in Prince Edward county.

To regulate the professional nursing of the sick.

To create a board of sinking fund commissioners for Gladeville.

To amend section 374 of code in relation to courts-martial.

To require clerks of circuit courts, etc., to send to secretary of commonwealth lists of certain officers.

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# CARDWELL GIVES THE HOUSE POETRY

Amusing Poem Read In Debate on Harvey Bill.

There was an amusing side to the speech of Hon. W. D. Cardwell, of Hanover, against the Christian Scientist amendment to the Harvey medical bill the other day in the House.

A gentleman had testified before the House committee that he had been a sufferer from heart trouble and dyspepsia, and that he had been drinking about a pint and a half of apple brandy per day for his health; that about four years ago, after reading Mrs. Eddy's book on Christian Science, he stopped drinking entirely and from that day his health began to improve. He attributed the improvement entirely to Christian Science and would give no credit to the fact that he had stopped drinking. In discussing this testimony Mr. Cardwell read the following lines:

HE NEVER BLAMED THE BOOZE.

He took a bottle up to bed, Drank whiskey hot each night, Drank cocktails in the morning, But never could get tight.

He shivered in the evening, And always had the blues, Until he took a bowl or two— But he never blamed the booze.

His joints were full of rheumatiz, His appetite was slack— He had pains between his shoulders, Chills ran down his back.

He suffered with insomnia, At night he couldn't snooze; He said it was the climate, But he never blamed the booze.

His constitution was run down— At least that's what he said; His legs were swollen each morning, And he often had swollen head.

He tackled beer, wine, whiskey, And if they didn't faze, He blamed it to dyspepsia— But he never blamed the booze.

He said he couldn't sleep at nights, And always had bad dreams; He claimed he always laid awake Till early sunrise beams;

He thought it was malaria, And he took a lot of quinine, He blamed it on everything— But he never blamed the booze.

His liver needed scraping, And his kidneys had the gout; He swallowed lots of bitters, Till at last he cleaned them out.

His legs were swollen with dropsy, Till he had to cut his shoes; He blamed it to the doctors, But he never blamed the booze.

Then he had the tremens, And tackled rats and snakes; First he had the fever, Then he had the shakes.

At last he had a funeral, And the mourners had the blues, And the epithets they carved for him— "He never blamed the booze."

DOWN-TOWN SERVICES OF BROTHERHOOD MEN

The attendance was so large at the Wednesday down-town services that are being held under the auspices of St. Andrew's Brotherhood that a number of the business men who dropped in a few minutes later than 1 o'clock P. M. were obliged to stand up.

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